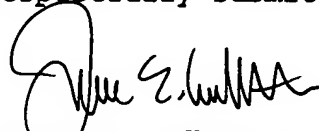


REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment eliminates the multiple dependent claim status of claim 13 in order to avoid the multiple dependent claim surcharge. New claim 22 recaptures the subject matter in the amended claim.

Early and favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

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